

Daily Brief...



Monday 1 June 2026

Chief Executive's blog It's time for another blog post from Laura Skaife-Knight. This month Laura is reflecting on our work with HIS on an 8-week diagnostic review, on the criteria for de-escalation from Level 4 status, and on the ongoing iMatter survey. [Follow this link to read her update in full.](#)

Essential power shutdown – CANCELLED A planned power shutdown in ARI tonight has been cancelled due to technical issues. Normal service will be provided throughout.

TrakCare essential maintenance – Wednesday TrakCare will undergo essential server maintenance to ensure systems remain secure and fully up to date between 12-12.05pm on Wednesday (3 June). All users will be automatically logged out at 12pm while maintenance is carried out. The system is expected to be unavailable for up to 5 minutes. Please ensure all work is saved before 12pm. Once the system is back online, we recommend checking your work has been saved successfully. We apologise for any inconvenience caused and appreciate your patience.

Change to the approval process on Datix In the summer of 2020, to relieve operational pressures on point of care staff, the Chief Executive agreed to suspend the need for Final Approvers to review Negligible and Minor severity adverse events, i.e., the First Approver was able to finally approve and close the record.

This situation has been reviewed, and a recommendation for this to revert to the pre pandemic process with first approvers being unable to finally approve Negligible and Minor severity adverse events has been endorsed. This function will be withdrawn effective from Wednesday 1 July 2026.

Practice Supervisor/Practice Assessor – supporting FAQs The Practice Education and Development team have created a new section on the Practice Supervisor and Practice Assessor Hub on Turas, featuring a comprehensive Frequently Asked Questions section. This area brings together guidance on a wide range of key topics including ePAD, administration of medication, staying up to date, preparing for students, and raising concerns. Designed as a practical “one stop shop,” it provides placement colleagues with easy access to essential information and support in one convenient place. You can [check it out for yourself by following this link](#) (log-in required).

Dietitians Week This week is Dietitians Week (1-5 June) and a special year for the British Dietetic Association, as they mark their 90th anniversary. This week we celebrate what it means to be part of the profession; the impact dietitians make to patient care and why it is more than just a job! Keep an eye on our social media accounts this week for more from our dietitians.

Dementia Awareness Week Alzheimer Scotland's 2026 campaign highlights the importance of good quality and consistent care. Did you know Alzheimer Scotland runs a 24-hour freephone dementia helpline 365 days a year? Available on 0808 808 3000, highly skilled volunteers can offer a listening ear and emotional support, no matter what time of day you call. They can also signpost you to some other key supports, including Dementia Advisors, local carers groups based in centres across Scotland, and external supports and services.

Cancer Care Spring Webinar There is still time to register for this event, taking place 9.30am-12.15pm, Wednesday 10 June, hosted on Microsoft Teams. This session will include information regarding the Cancer Referral Guidelines, SPOC and Direct, and cancer service updates. [To register, simply follow this link.](#)

Demystifying Death week – session recordings The spiritual care and Realistic Medicine teams are extending a huge thank you to everyone who joined the Demystifying Death Week live online sessions. These conversations helped shine a light on a topic we don't always talk about, making it more open, accessible and human. They also reflect what Realistic Medicine is all about – creating space for honest conversations, supporting shared decision-making, and putting people at the centre. [If you missed a session or want to revisit them, you can catch up by following this link.](#) Plus, explore the [supporting resources available via this link.](#)

Pause for thought Who are you? Who will you have been when you look back on your busy day?

As a reminder, Guided Journaling sessions take place on Thursdays between 8-8.30am; [booking is via this Turas link](#) (log-in required).

Tune of the day Kaylee Fryer, advanced specialist dietitian in critical care, makes today's request, to mark Dietitians Week. She's after Harry Styles and [Watermelon Sugar](#) (EP)

If you want to request a tune, follow up on items included in this brief, or suggest an item for sharing, drop us an email via gram.communications@nhs.scot